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PRESIDENT: Senator Lewis.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: I rise to support Senator Mills amendment. If the first bill was really a winner, this is really a goer. I would think that the bill would be totally unacceptable to me unless the Mills amendment is adopted. I urge the adoption of it.

PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers. Senator Mills, apparently there is nothing to apply to since you had a supportive argument from Senator Lewis. The question is the adoption of the Mills amendment. Record your vote. Please vote. Record Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 11 nays on the Mills amendment.

PRESIDENT: The amendment is adopted. You got another amendment Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, a motion on the desk. I move to indefinitely postpone LB 169. Signed, Senator George.

PRESIDENT: There has been a call for the previous question. The question is, shall debate cease. Senator George.

SENATOR GEORGE: Mr. President, may I just talk to the bill, or I'll be talking to the amendment.

PRESIDENT: Well it's been the Chair's position that on a motion to indefinitely postpone you address the bill in its entirety because . . .

SENATOR GEORGE: Yes. That's what I intended yesterday when I handed in this motion. LB 169, I believe, states that this applies only to counties of 300,000 population or more, which, of course, means that again this is a special legislation only for 1 of our 93 counties. Unless there is some kind of an emergency I don't think we should do that. I believe in the hearings we found out that first a majority of the county commissioners in Douglas county supported this bill. By the time of the hearings I believe there was only one or two commissioners that actually continued to support this bill. I believe it really is one of our theoretical bills and there is no real problem that exists, to my knowledge, in Douglas county. Yesterday, I guess, during the debate the term "intransigent politicians" was used again. Are we . . . is this body the judge and jury of who is an intransigent politician in Douglas county, or should we leave that to the voters to decide it every four years? Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lewis.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Mr. Chairman, I rise to oppose the motion to kill now that we've made a half way decent amendment out of it. I have another amendment that I'm going to send up and make it apply to all county officials and all counties, so we can have a turn-over in government that people want. This thing has a lot of possibilities. I'm enthused about it. I would sure hate for you to kill it.